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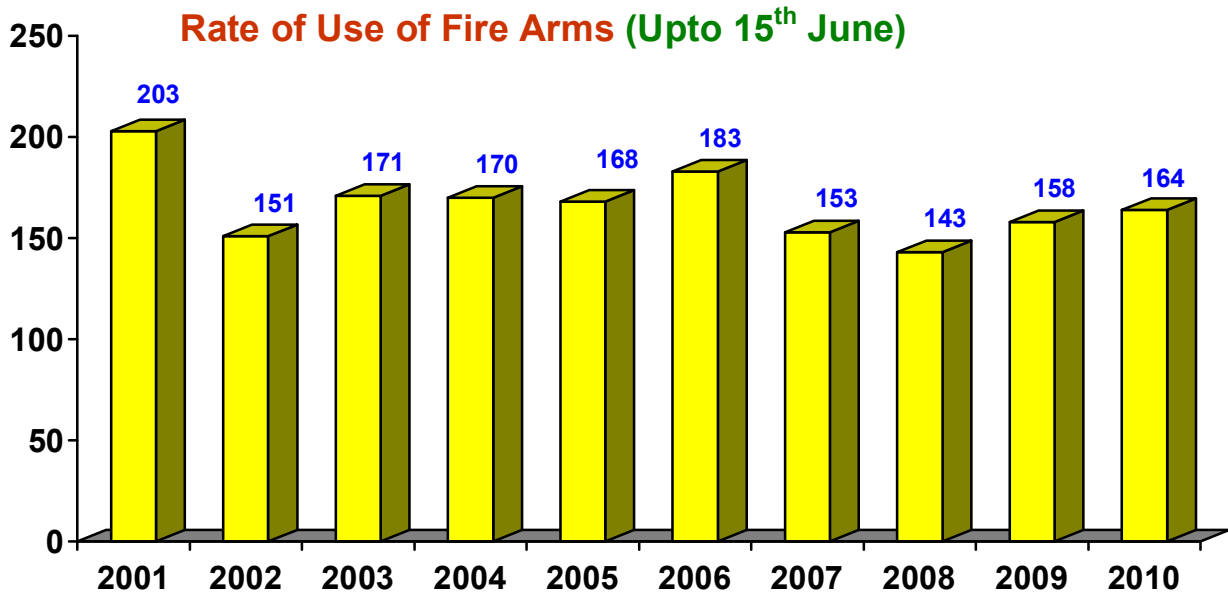
To
The Editor,
Hindustan Times,
Delhi.

Subject: Rejoinder about news item “**Gun Crime Spurt Across Capital, One Dead**”.

Sir,

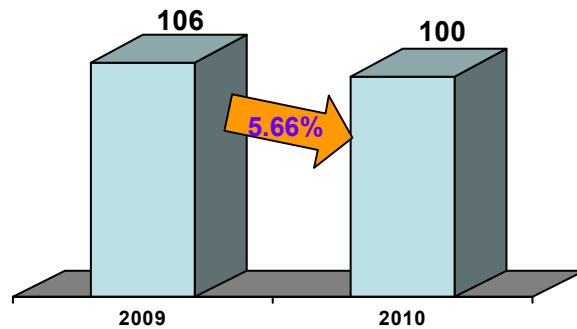
A news item with the heading “**Gun Crime Spurt Across Capital, One Dead**” has appeared on the front page of your news daily dated 1st July, 2010. The news headline is factually incorrect and conveys a wrong impression about the crime scenario in the National Capital.

An analysis of crime data over the years shows that there is no such spurt this year as compared to previous several years. In fact, as the following graph will indicate, the rate of use of firearms this year in heinous crimes such as Murder, Robbery, Attempt to Murder, etc. is well below the figures of 2001, 2003, 2004 and 2006, and is well under control due to several preventive measures being taken by the Delhi Police as also on account of arrest of several criminal gangs habitual of committing crimes by using firearms.



A pertinent fact also to note is that the number of cases in which gun-shots have actually been fired (as different from being only shown to commit-crime) is actually less than last year, as shown in the graph given below.

Number of cases with Gunshots Actually Fired



In order to put things in the right perspective in the minds of the readers, it is requested that a suitable rejoinder may please be given in your news paper at a prominent place.

Yours faithfully,

For PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER
DELHI POLICE.